

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-18. (canceled)

19. (currently amended) A method for treating a keratin substrate, comprising applying an effective amount of at least a cotton honey dew extract or composition comprising a cotton honeydew extract.

20. (currently amended) A method to protect skin and/or hair against all types of external aggressions, comprising applying an effective amount of at least a cotton honey dew extract or composition comprising a cotton honeydew extract.

21. (currently amended) A method to protect keratin substrate synthesis, comprising applying an effective amount of at least a cotton honey dew extract or composition comprising a cotton honeydew extract.

22. (currently amended) A method to reinforce the cutaneous barrier of the skin and/or to reinforce the protection of hair, comprising applying an effective amount of at least a

cotton honey dew extract or composition comprising a cotton honeydew extract.

23. (currently amended) A method to nourish keratin substrates, comprising applying an effective amount of at least a cotton honey dew extract or composition comprising a cotton honeydew extract.

24. (currently amended) A method to maintain and/or protect natural or synthetic fibers, comprising applying an effective amount of at least a cotton honey dew extract or composition comprising a cotton honeydew extract.

25. (currently amended) The method according to claim 19 ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the cotton honeydew extract contains sugars ~~such as~~ selected from the group consisting of glucose, fructose, saccharose, trehalose, melezitose, trehalulose and inositol.

26. (currently amended) The method according to claim 19 ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the the sugars present in cotton honeydew extract are 30 to 40 % fructose, 20 to 30 % glucose, 3 to 20 % saccharose, 0 to 10 % melezitose, 0 to 6 % trehalulose, 0 to 10 % trehalulose and 0 to 12 % inositol as a percentage of the total quantity of sugars present in the honeydew.

27. (currently amended) The method according to claim 19 ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the cotton honeydew extract is used in proportions between 0.0001 % and 20 %, by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition.

28. (currently amended) A cosmetic and/or dermatological and/or pharmaceutical composition, ~~characterized in that it contains~~ comprising, as an active ingredient, in a cosmetically, pharmaceutically or dermatologically acceptable medium, at least cotton honeydew extract.

29. (currently amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim [[10]] ~~28 characterized in that~~ wherein the cotton honeydew is present in the composition at a concentration between 0.0001 % and 20 %, by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition, ~~and preferentially at a concentration between 0.001 % and 10 %, by weight, relative to the total weight of the composition.~~

30. (currently amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 29, ~~characterized in that it is in~~ wherein the composition is a cosmetic and/or dermatological composition adapted to topical cutaneous application through an acceptable cosmetic or dermatological medium.

31. (currently amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 29, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the extract is dissolved ~~beforehand~~ in one or several cosmetically or pharmaceutically acceptable solvents ~~such as~~ selected from the group consisting of water, ethanol, propanol, [[or]] isopropanol, propylene glycol, butylene glycol, dipropylene glycol, ethoxylated diglycols, ~~ethoxylated or propoxylated~~ diglycols, cyclic polyols, petroleum jelly, vegetable oil, ~~or any and combinations of these solvents~~ thereof.

32. (currently amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 29, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the extract is ~~beforehand~~ dissolved in a cosmetic or pharmaceutical vector ~~such as~~ selected from the group consisting of liposomes, ~~or is~~ adsorbed on powdery organic polymers, mineral supports, ~~such as~~ talc, and bentonites, ~~and more generally, dissolved in, or fixed on, any cosmetically or pharmaceutically acceptable vector.~~

33. (currently amended) ~~Composition~~ The composition according to claim 29, ~~characterized in that it can take~~ wherein the composition is in the form of an aqueous, hydro-alcoholic or oil solution; or the form of an oil-in-water or water-in-oil emulsion or in multiple emulsions. ~~They can also be used as creams, as suspensions or as powders. These compositions can also~~

~~be more or less fluid or solid and can take the form of creams, lotions, milks, serums, ointments, shampoo, gel, paste and mousse. It can also take a solid form like a stick.~~

34. (currently amended) ~~Cosmetie~~ The cosmetic process of treatment for the care of keratin substrates, ~~and in particular for the skin and hair,~~ consisting in applying to keratin substrates, ~~and in particular to the skin and/or hair,~~ an effective amount of a composition such as defined according to claim 29.

35. (currently amended) ~~Cosmetie~~ The cosmetic process of treatment ~~in order to protect keratin substrates, and more particularly to protect the~~ of skin and hair against all types of external aggressions, consisting in applying to the surface of ~~keratin substrates, and in particular on~~ the skin and/or hair, an effective amount of the composition such as defined according to claim 29.

36. (currently amended) ~~Cosmetie~~ A process of treatment in order to reinforce the protection of the skin, and/or to increase keratin synthesis and/or in order to nourish keratin substrates, and in particular the skin and hair, consisting in applying, to the skin's surface and/or hair, an effective amount of the composition such as defined according to claim 29.